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## EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

OBSERVATIONS OF PASSING EVENTS.

MARION BUTLER is quoted as saying that the Populists will accept neither Parker nor Hearst for President. Perhaps it may not have occurred to Butler heard from.

Mr. Butler, but it is hardly probable that he will have much to do with choosing the President this time. He may cast his own vote but apart from that he will be an unknown quantity in the election or even in the say-so as to who will be acceptable to the people. He has little following, it any, and he must just be talking for exercise or to keep in practice.

THE North Carolina Baptist makes the following observation concerning the contempt proceedings growing out of the action of the lawyers of Robeson county refusing to try their cases before Judge Peebles and the Lawyers.

"Judge Peebles says that the Robeson lawyers will be tried for contempt at the Cumberland county court, beginning May 10th. Now, as we see it, the action of those lawyers was aimed at Judge Peebles as an individual and not at the court as a judicial institution. And so if the case must come into the court, why some judge other than Judge Peebles ought to try it."

THE Richmond Times-Dispatch certainly has some enterprising correspondents. The story of the hogs hunting rabbits was given some time ago, last week we reproduced the story from Roxbury about the swivel-headed negro, and now comes the following calf story from Roxbury:

"A strange freak of nature exists in this county. Mrs. Martha Clements, who lives in the upper end of the county, owns a calf nine weeks old, which was born with its heart on the outside of its body. The pulsations of this vital organ were as regular as if it had been in its accustomed place. Mrs. Clements says she was so worried about the little beauty that she could not rest at night for thinking of the strange affliction. She only wished the calf would die, but it did not; but continued to grow and be frisky. Finally, she consulted a veterinarian, who agreed to put the heart where it naturally belonged, or try to do so. 'Go ahead,' said the lady; 'if it dies it's all right.' Saturday the operation was successfully performed, and now the calf seems all right, and is as playful as a kitten. 'I will never sell it,' said Mrs. Clements. The calf is a beautiful, full-blooded Holstein. It is not believed there is another case on record of the same nature."

THE Virginia Legislature has made it possible for street car companies to require negroes to ride separate from the whites. Great pressure is brought by the white people for such regulations. The negroes have held public meetings and have discussed the matter calmly and as dispassionately as they could, and have agreed among themselves not to ride on the street cars set aside for them, but to walk. The Richmond News-Leader concludes editorial discussion of the matter as follows:

"The antagonism and prejudice between the two races will continue. It will develop in our public conveyances and in all the walks and acts of life. The best thing and only thing for the negro to do is to submit and make the best of it with good nature and patience, for he is in the presence of a race which he cannot fight or overcome, at the mercy of a force so far superior to his own that he cannot deal with it by process of law, by the influence of moral or political force, by intellectual effort or by revolution. In this special case, no injustice is done him. The place assigned him in the cars is as good as that given the whites. All he is asked to do is to keep to himself and allow the white people to do the same, so that intimate contact between the races shall be avoided as far as possible. The wise course for the colored people is to accept developments as they come, but to keep in their minds that the only hope for the peace and comfort of both races is that they shall be separated finally, not by the distance between one seat in a street car and another, but by miles of territory or ocean, so that the negro may establish a civilization and government of his own and a country in which he shall stand on his merits and be equal with all the other people there."

SOME time ago when the press of the country was giving much broadcast advice to farmers about the cotton crop of this year, THE COMMON-WEALTH suggested that the wisest thing for the farmers to do would be to make the acreage of last year produce a million bales more this year. The Wilmington Messenger is even more intensive than that, as will be seen in the following paragraph:

"There is a good deal of talk at this time about the increase of acreage to be planted in cotton. Of course, it would be a great thing for the Southern planters if they could intensify their farming so as to produce two bolls where one was heretofore grown. There would be where the farmer would grow rich. We cannot look for any such thing as this, but we expect to see the production per acre increased in the crop of the coming year. The high price of cotton and the scarcity of labor will cause this. Excepting the cost of fertilizing, it costs no more to raise two bolls of cotton to the acre than it does to produce half a bale per acre. The demand for cotton is increasing so rapidly that there need be no fear of a return to the low prices for the staple of a few years ago. The farmers of the South need not be afraid of over-production. If the reports show an increase in acreage, there will be made an effort by the bears in the speculative market to reduce the price, and they may be successful for a while. But all the farmer has to do to get a good price for his cotton is to hold on to it until the scare about increased acreage has blown over. The supply is so short now that it will take a large crop this year to come up to the demand of consumers. A twelve million bale crop will not be a bit more than the factories of the world will require to supply the demand. Twelve million bales of cotton put on the market in 1904-'05 should bring more per pound than did a nine million or ten million bale crop a few years ago. To make money—good money—on cotton this year all a farmer has to do is to select good seed, fertilize his land and make it produce two bolls where it produced only one last year."

### A GREAT SENSATION.

There was a big sensation in Leesville, Ind., when W. H. Brown of that place, who was expected to die, had his life saved by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. He says: "I endured insufferable agonies from Asthma, but your New Discovery gave me immediate relief and soon thereafter effected a complete cure." Similar cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis and Grip are numerous. It's the peerless remedy for all throat and lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Druggists. Trial bottles free.

### GOOD FOR CHILDREN.

The pleasant to take and harmless One Minute Cough Cure gives immediate relief in all cases of Cough, Croup and LaGrippe because it does not pass immediately into the stomach, but takes effect right at the seat of the trouble. It draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes and cures permanently by enabling the lungs to contribute pure life-giving and life-sustaining oxygen to the blood and tissues. One Minute Cough Cure is pleasant to take and it is good alike for young and old. Sold by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

### If We Know.

If we knew what forms were fainting  
For the shades that we should bring;  
If we knew what lips were pining  
For the water we should bring,  
We would haste with eager footsteps,  
We would work with willing hands,  
Bearing cups of cooling water,  
Planting rows of shading palms.

If we knew what lives were pained  
By some thoughtless word of ours  
Which has ever lain among them  
Like the frost among the flowers,  
Oh! with what sincere repentings—  
With what anguish of regret,  
While our eyes were overflowing  
We would say, "Forgive! Forget!"

If we knew! Alas! and do we  
Ever care or seek to know  
Whether bitter herbs or roses  
In our neighbor's garden grow?  
God forgive us, lest hereafter  
Our hearts break to hear Him say,  
"Careless child, I never knew you—  
From my presence flee away."

If we knew when friends around us  
Closely pressed to say, "Good-bye,"  
Which among the lips that kissed us  
First would "neath the daisies lie,  
We would clasp our arms around them  
Looking on them through our tears,  
Tender words of love eternal  
We would whisper in their ears.  
—G. E. Kepple.

### A Serious Wreck.

Wilmington Messenger.  
The wreck which occurred on the Coast Line at Lucas on Monday night a few minutes before 12 o'clock, was one of the most serious that has occurred on the Coast Line in a long time. It was indeed fortunate that no one lost their life in the accident.

The train wrecked was No. 35, the Florida and West Indian Limited, and the wreck was due to carelessness on the part of the crew on the freight cars standing on the main line. It is said that Conductor Burnett, of No. 8, the freight, admits that he forgot all about the passenger train. The vestibule approached Lucas at the rate of about forty-five miles per hour, and Engineer Wackemith saw the cars too late to reduce the speed of his train to any material extent. The fast moving train plunged into the freight cars, which were loaded with fertilizer, with an awful crash, turning the engine completely around and causing it to fall into a ditch near the track. Engineer Wackemith and his fireman, who was named Charles, both stuck to the engine and were pulled from the debris after the accident. A few minutes after the accident occurred the wrecked cars caught on fire and the baggage and mail car and six freight cars were completely destroyed, and the station which was only a few yards distant, was also burned.

Those injured were Engineer Louis Wackemith, who is said to have received internal injuries; Fireman Charles, and T. M. Mitchell, a colored postal clerk, and several others on the train were slightly injured. Dr. Taylor, of Rocky Mount, was on the train and looked after the immediate needs of the injured. Those injured were later removed to the hospital at Rocky Mount. The loss to the Coast Line is estimated at from \$50,000 to 100,000.

### Don't Overdress Your Child.

Woman's Home Companion.  
You can't begin too early to train girls in taste and sense upon the subject of dress. The woman who dresses her little daughter expensively, who even goes without proper clothing herself to deck her girl in dainty, fresh, fashionable garb, does great wrong to herself and to her child. The fitness of things is reversed when the mother denies herself what is due her to give her child what she does not need. Under such circumstances fine dress is positively harmful to a girl.

If any one in the family is to be dressed in fashion and elegance it should be the mother. Simplicity is absolutely necessary for good taste in all that relates to children. There is room for pretty color effects and for the refinements of suitability, and all that, but departures from plainness of material and style in children's dress is a departure from good form. What shall be said for the woman who has such small sense of the fitness of things as to deny herself the dress suitable for her in order to put upon her child what is unsuitable and out of taste?

### BEST COUGH MEDICINE FOR CHILDREN.

When you buy a cough medicine for small children you want one in which you have implicit confidence. You want one that not only relieves but cures. You want one that is unquestionably harmless. You want one that is pleasant to take. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy meet all these conditions. There is nothing so good for the coughs and colds incident to childhood. It is also a certain preventive and cure for croup, and there is no danger whatever from whooping cough when it is given. It has been used in many epidemics of that disease with perfect success. For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, and Leggett's Drug Store, Hobgood.

## DAN GROSVENOR SAYS:

"Pe-ru-na is an Excellent Spring Catarrh Remedy—I am as Well as Ever."



HON. DAN A. GROSVENOR, OF THE FAMOUS OHIO FAMILY.

Hon. Dan A. Grosvenor, Deputy Auditor for the War Department, in a letter written from Washington, D. C., says:

"Allow me to express my gratitude to you for the benefit derived from one bottle of Peruna. One week has brought wonderful changes and I am now as well as ever. Besides being one of the very best spring tonics it is an excellent catarrh remedy."—  
DAN A. GROSVENOR.

In a recent letter he says:  
"—I consider Peruna really more meritorious than I did when I wrote you last. I receive numerous letters from acquaintances all over the country asking me if my certificate is genuine. I invariably answer, 'yes.'—Dan A. Grosvenor.

A County Commissioner's Letter.  
Hon. John Williams, County Commissioner, of 517 West Second street, Duluth, Minn., says the following in regard to Peruna:

"As a remedy for catarrh I can cheerfully recommend Peruna. I know what it is to suffer from that terrible disease and I feel that it is my duty to speak a good word for the tonic that brought me immediate relief. Peruna cured me of a bad case of catarrh and I know it will cure any other sufferer from that disease."—John Williams.

### Tired of Dodging Officers.

Newbern Journal.  
A strange case of a conscience-stricken thief was before United States Commissioner Hill yesterday. He was James Wiggins a young white man and on December 18, 1900 he stole a wheel belonging to the late Sam Biddle, which was on government property having been placed against the postoffice building at the time. A few days after the theft he was captured at Pollockville with the bicycle in his possession, but before the papers could be served on him, he escaped and ever since has been evading arrest. United States Marshals and their deputies have been searching for him but he fooled them many times. He has been in Florida most of the time since the theft. He voluntarily surrendered himself to the federal authorities stating that he was tired of dodging officers. After hearing the case, Mr. Hill required him to give a justified bond for \$50 to appear for trial in the United States Court next week. He gave the bond.

### Let's Resolve.

To stop worrying.  
To stop scolding.  
To stop gossiping.  
To fear nothing.  
To work earnestly.  
To speak kindly or keep silence.  
To think of our own faults before criticizing others.  
To laugh a lot more than we did last year.  
And the chances are that the world will get on better and we shall find ourselves ten times happier and more prosperous at the end of another year.

### FOR OVER SIXTY YEARS.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for sixty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup."

### SCIATIC RHEUMATISM CURED.

"I have been subject to sciatic rheumatism for years," says E. H. Waldon, of Wilton Junction, Iowa. "My joints were stiff and gave me much pain and discomfort. My joints would crack when I straightened up. I used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and have been thoroughly cured. Have not had a pain or ache from the old trouble for some months. It is certainly a most wonderful liniment." For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, and Leggett's Drug Store, Hobgood.

### FAITH TAKES GOD AS AUTHORITY AND YIELDS OBEDIENCE TO A SUPERNATURAL, DIVINE LORD AT A TIME.—REV. DR. BURHAM, CONGREGATIONALIST, ST. LOUIS.

### ARE YOU A DYSPEPTIC?

If you are a dyspeptic you owe it to yourself and your friends to get well. Dyspepsia annoys the dyspeptic's friends because it sours his disposition as well as his stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will not only cure dyspepsia, indigestion and sour stomach, but this palatable, reconstructive tonic digests and strengthens the whole digestive apparatus, and sweetens the life as well as the stomach. When you take Kodol Dyspepsia Cure the food you eat is enjoyed. It is digested, assimilated and its nutrient properties appropriated by the blood and tissues. Health is the result. Sold by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

W. E. Griffith, Concan, Texas, writes: "I suffered with chronic catarrh for many years. I took Peruna and it completely cured me. I think Peruna is the best medicine in the world for catarrh. My general health is much improved by its use, as I am much stronger than I have been for years."—W. E. Griffith.

### A Congressman's Letter.

Congressman H. Bowen, Ruskin, Tazewell county, Va., writes:

"I can cheerfully recommend your valuable remedy, Peruna, to any one who is suffering with catarrh, and who is in need of a permanent and effective cure."—H. Bowen.

Mr. Fred D. Scott, Larue, Ohio, Right Guard of Hiram Foot Ball Team, writes: "As a specific for lung trouble I place Peruna at the head. I have used it myself for colds and catarrh of the bowels and it is a splendid remedy. It restores vitality, increases bodily strength and makes a sick person well in a short time. I give Peruna my hearty indorsement."—Fred D. Scott.

Gen. Ira C. Abbott, 906 M street, N. W., Washington, D. C., writes:

"I am fully convinced that your remedy is an excellent tonic. Many of my friends have used it with the most beneficial results for coughs, colds and catarrhal trouble."—Ira C. Abbott.

Mrs. Elmer Fleming, orator of Reservoir Council No. 108, Northwestern Legion of Honor, Minneapolis, Minn., writes from 2335 Polk street, N. L.:

"I have been troubled all my life with catarrh in my head. I took Peruna for about three months, and now think I am permanently cured. I believe that catarrh in all its forms is the medicine of the age. It cures when all other remedies fail. I can heartily recommend Peruna as a catarrh remedy."—Mrs. Elmer Fleming.

### Treat Catarrh in Spring.

The spring is the time to treat catarrh. Cold, wet winter weather often retards a cure of catarrh. If a course of Peruna is taken during the early spring months the cure will be prompt and permanent. There can be no failures if Peruna is taken intelligently during the favorable weather of spring.

As a systemic catarrh remedy Peruna eradicates catarrh from the system wherever it may be located. It cures catarrh of the stomach or bowels with the same certainty as catarrh of the head. If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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Any man, woman or child suffering from headache, biliousness or a dull, drowsy feeling should take one or two of DeWitt's Little Early Risers night and morning. These famous little pills are famous because they are a tonic as well as a pill. While they cleanse the system they strengthen and rebuild it by their tonic effect upon the liver and bowels. Sold by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

Some people approach the throne of grace about like they present their tickets at the theatre door.

### NOTHING EQUAL TO CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY FOR BOWEL COMPLAINTS IN CHILDREN.

"We have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in our family for years," says Mrs. J. B. Cooke, of Nederland, Texas. "We have given it to all our children. We have used other medicines for the same purpose, but never found anything to equal Chamberlain's. If you will use it as directed it will always cure." For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co., Scotland Neck, and Leggett's Drug Store, Hobgood.

### "FO IT TO-DAY."

The time-worn injunction, "Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today," is now generally presented in this form: "Do it today!" That is the terse advice we want to give you about that hacking cough or demoralizing cold with which you have been struggling for several days, perhaps weeks. Take some reliable remedy for it TODAY—and let this remedy be Dr. Bouchee's German Syrup, which has been in use for over thirty-five years. A few doses of it will undoubtedly relieve your cough or cold, and its continued use for a few days will cure you completely. No matter how deep-seated your cough, even if dread consumption has attacked your lungs, German Syrup will surely effect a cure—as it has done before in thousands of apparently hopeless cases of lung trouble. New trial bottles, 25c; regular size, 75c. At E. T. Whitehead & Co's.

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